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SUBJECT: TAW

REF: LUSAKA 2150

1. REQUEST REPLY BY NIACT IMMEDIATE CABLE TO PRIME MINISTER'S INQUIRY OF SEPT 29 RE USE OF AID PROGRAM LOAN FOR PURCHASE OF GM TRUCKS. AS REPORTED LUSAKA 2150, I TOLD PM THREE DAYS AGO I WOULD TRY OBTAIN RESPONSE FOR HIM BY TODAY, OCT 21.

2. TO DATE TAW "NEGOTIATIONS" WITH GRZ HAVE MADE NO PROGRESS. ACCORDING TO TOM WOOD, THE GRZ REPRESENTATIVES HAVE INSUFFICIENT AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT MEANINGFUL TALKS LOOKING TO A SETTLEMENT.

3. CONSEQUENTLY, WOOD HAS ASKED ME TO SEEK A MEETING FOR HIM WITH PRIME MINISTER CHONA WHO HAS BEEN CHARGED BY PRESIDENT TO REACH A SETTLEMENT WITH HIM. I AM

PREPARED INTERCEDE ON WOOD'S BEHALF AS CHONA TOLD ME SEPT 29 HE WOULD BE WILLING TO MEET WITH
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WOOD IF HE CAME.

4. WOOD INTENDS TO PROPOSE A SETTLEMENT AND REACH AN AGREEMENT IN WRITING BASED ON REINSTATEMENT OF THE CONTRACT. DRAFT AGREEMENT WOULD THEN BE REFERRED TO ATTORNEYS ON BOTH SIDES FOR POLISHING UP. IN RETURN, TAW WILL (A) IMMEDIATELY MOVE ZAMBIA'S MAIZE TO STORAGE (AS TAW DID LAST YEAR) BEFORE THE RAINS COME, AND (B) WITHDRAW ITS ARBITRATION APPLICATION. I WILL INFORM CHONA OF THE FOREGOING IN SEEKING THE APPOINTMENT WOOD HAS REQUESTED.

5. TO PAVE WAY FOR FRANK AND PRODUCTIVE WOOD/CHONA MEETING, KEEP SITUATION IN BALANCE, AND ALLAY GRZ SUSPICIONS AND CONCERNS ABOUT U.S. ROLE, IT CLEARLY ESSENTIAL FOR US TO RESPOND IMMEDIATELY TO PRIME MINISTER'XPIINQUIRY ABOUT USE OF AID LOAN FOR GM TRUCKS.

6. I FRANKLY TOLD WOOD I FELT IT IN HIS INTEREST FOR GRZ TO USE AID LOAN FOR GM TRUCKS AS IT WAS STEP IN DIRECTION OF GLOBAL SETTLEMENT. HE RAISED NO OBJECTIONS.
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